

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 663

By Yager

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mildred “Mickey” Presley Fickey.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Mildred “Mickey” Presley Fickey; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fickey was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, she served for many years as a teacher and librarian with the Roane County school system, in which positions she inspired young minds and upheld the highest principles of education and public service before entering a well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from Rockwood High School, Mickey Fickey earned her bachelor’s degree from Carson-Newman College and her master’s degree from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, an active volunteer and community leader, Mrs. Fickey was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and the Tennessee Education Association, secretary-treasurer for the Cumberland Terrace Homeowners Association in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, longtime organist and congregant of Rockwood First Baptist Church, organist for Rockwood United Methodist Church, and pianist for the local singing group The Kingstonettes, always maintaining her lifelong passion for music; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Fickey was deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her parents, J. Frank Presley and Mary “Molly” Beals Presley, her son, Daryl Stuart Fickey, her two brothers, Jesse Frank Presley, Jr., and Alvin Lee Presley, and her foster sister, Shirley Earhart Peters; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Fickey will be sorely missed by her husband of fifty-four years, James C. Fickey, her son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Tina Fickey, her two grandsons, Alex Fickey and Brandon Fickey, and her sister-in-law, Lola Fickey; and

WHEREAS, Mickey Fickey leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mildred "Mickey" Fickey, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Fickey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.